

WARSHIPS WERE HERE

Wyoming, Perry and Paul Jones Anchor for a Time at the Foot of Eleventh Street.

WENT ON TO PORTLAND

One Seaman Lost During Passage From Bremerton Navy Yard to the Columbia River.

The warships have come and the warships have gone. In spite of the reputed enthusiasm and patriotism of the people of Astoria, they refused to remain anchored off the city long enough to give the citizens a chance for inspection. However, the chance will come soon.

Without the aid of a bar pilot the monitor Wyoming and the torpedo-boat destroyers Paul Jones and Perry entered the Columbia river at an early hour yesterday and made their way to Astoria. They anchored at the foot of Eleventh street, and a crowd was soon at the wharf making an inspection of the boats from a distance. Then the warships started for Portland, where they arrived safely at an early hour last evening.

Will Coal at Astoria.

The vessels will remain in Portland until after the Fourth of July celebration. Then they will return to Astoria to coal before going to sea. At that time the people of Astoria will have a chance to inspect the boats to their hearts' content. The Wyoming is an excellent type of coast defense vessel. She has two 12-inch guns in her primary battery, and her secondary battery is such as is usually carried on monitors. The Perry and Paul Jones are first-class torpedo-boat destroyers, built for speed and service. All three vessels, while small in comparison with the great battleships, are very seaworthy and can weather the hardest storm. During a heavy sea the deck of the Wyoming is entirely under water. In this fact lies the success of monitors; they present to an enemy a hard target to hit.

Accident on the Voyage.

During the passage from Bremerton navy yard there occurred two incidents. After having passed Cape Flattery a seaman by the name of Mardich was found to be missing from the Paul Jones. As soon as the commander of the Paul Jones was notified he ordered the vessel turned back, and an unsuccessful search was made for the man. There was a heavy sea running at the time and it is probable that the man was washed overboard and drowned. Early in the morning the Paul Jones also sighted a life buoy and it was picked up. It was found to be the buoy of the Wyoming, a patent affair valued at \$1000, and it was returned to the Wyoming after their arrival at this port.

TROOPS FOR THE FOURTH.

Brigadier General Funston Orders Detachment to Astoria.

When most of the troops stationed at Fort Stevens were ordered to Vancouver barracks to take the place of the men who had gone from that post to American lake, it was feared there would be no soldiers here to help celebrate the glorious Fourth, but a letter to Brigadier General Funston has netted results, and a detachment of 150 men will be in Astoria on the Fourth. General Funston's letter was received yesterday by Mayor Surprenant, and is as follows:

"Headquarters Department of the Columbia, Vancouver Barracks, Wash., June 22.—The Mayor, Astoria: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, request-

ing that the troops at Fort Stevens participate in the Fourth of July celebration at Astoria. I regret that the fact that one of the companies at Fort Stevens has been ordered to temporary duty during the absence of the regular garrison at American lake will leave but few troops available for such purpose, but shall direct the commanding officers of the artillery district of the Columbia to send to Astoria on that day from Forts Stevens and Columbia all troops not absolutely required for guard duty. This would give about 150 men. Lieutenant Colonel Schenck will be directed to confer with you regarding details. Yours very truly,
"FREDERICK FUNSTON,
"Brigadier General Commanding."

TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

Trains Crash Together on Sierra Railroad and Kill Two.

Sonora, Cal., June 25.—The first fatal wreck on the Sierra railroad line occurred this evening on the Angels branch. At a switchback on the Tou-lumne county side of the Stanislaus river, a work train plunged into the rear car of a regular passenger train bound for Angels.

Mrs. Valente and Mrs. G. B. Demarino of Stockton were instantly crushed to death, and Patty Melone, a baseball player of the same place, was badly injured. The wreck was caused by the engineer of the work train losing control of his engine on the down grade.

WILL HELP MINERS.

American Federation of Labor to Give Them Support.

Denver, Colo., June 25.—The American Federation of Labor has taken up the fight of the Western Federation of Miners in Colorado and will give it financial and moral support. This news was made public in Denver today on receipt of an appeal signed by President Samuel Gompers and the executive council of the American Federation of Labor.

The appeal was dated at Washington, and is addressed to the organized labor of America.

OVER ONE THOUSAND.

Official Report of Dead From General Slocum Disaster.

New York, June 25.—According to an exhaustive report made by Police Inspector Schmittberger on the number of dead, missing, injured and uninjured in the General Slocum disaster, it appears 933 bodies have been recovered and 93 persons absolutely known to have been aboard the vessel are still unaccounted for, making a total of 1031.

Vote to Censure Defeated.

Ottawa, Ont., June 25.—The house today divided on a motion to censure Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture, for the infusion of politics into military affairs in the dismissal of Lord Dundonald. The vote was 42 for and 84 against.

King Guest of Murderers.

Belgrade, June 25.—King Peter has accepted an invitation to be the guest of honor at tonight's regimental dinner of the Seventh Infantry, whose officers carried out the murder of King Alexander, Queen Draga and other in June last.

Dowie's Return From Abroad.

New York, June 25.—John Alexander Dowie, the leader of the Zion City, Ill. settlement, and his son, A. Gladstone Dowie, were passengers on the steamship Lucania, which arrived today from Liverpool.

Two Killed by Wire in Cherry Trees.

Lancaster, Pa., June 25.—Benjamin and Edwin Koshkri, brothers, were electrocuted at their home near Wabank while picking cherries, coming in contact with a wire in the branches that feeds arc lights.

COMMERCIALS WERE BEATEN

Multnomah Club Hammers Tommy Ross for a Total of Eleven Expensive Hits.

ASTORIA BOYS UP IN THE AIR

Locals Were Demoralized for First Few Innings, But Soon Settled Down to Business.

The Multnomah baseball tossers yesterday fell upon Tommy Ross as he was never before fell upon, and when the visitors got through with him, at the end of the third, Commercial had lost the game of games. Almost 1500 people neglected their affairs on a busy Saturday afternoon to see this game, and the grandstand wanted the home team to win. Every time one of the locals distinguished himself he was given an ovation, especially after the Multnomah players commenced their customary rag-chewing and beefing. The Portland club is provided with the latest and most approved phonographic attachment and yesterday its representatives beefed until the crowd became weary. Evidently they did not want an Astorian to reach first base, and thought to assist their streak by the phonographic display.

The Commercial team was weakened. O'Toole and Roxy Graham were out of it, which necessitated a change all around. The locals went in halfheartedly and by the time they recovered the game had been lost. While Ross was touched up for 11 hits during the game, he threw steadily when he finally got down to business, and after the third inning the home team played the best ball. Moore, Columbia university's pitcher, was in the box for Multnomah and seemed to be there. He was well supported.

In the first Litt hit out a hot one to Graham at third, who allowed it to go by. Fenton followed with a pretty single into the right garden, but died trying to steal second. Litt scored on the play. Chamlers fanned and Moore went out on a short hit to Tommy Ross. Stockton, Ferguson and Graham all hit short grounders to Moore, who threw them out.

Parrott fanned in the second. Oliver landed out a two-bagger to center field, but Jennings went out on a short hit to Flannigan. With two down, the visitors succeeded in scoring three runs. Houston singled, bringing in Oliver, and Stott knocked out a grounder to left field that was lost under the steps of the grandstand and allowed him to go all the way around. Litt's bunt got him a bag, but Fenton's long fly to Halderman ended the inning. Flannigan and Morton fanned, and Halderman flew out to Houston.

In the third Chamlers was thrown out by Tommy Ross and Moore was retired by Graham. Parrott got a two-bagger into the left garden, and when Flannigan muffed Oliver's hot drive Parrott scored. Jennings singled, but Oliver was thrown out at the home plate. Trullinger flew out to Houston and Bert Ross and Tommy Ross fanned. Thus far not one of the Commercial had reached the initial sack.

Houston started things in the fourth by singling. Stott fanned. Litt hit to Morton, who failed to throw out Houston at the home plate, and a moment later Litt was caught out at second. Fenton singled, but Stockton threw out Chamlers. In Commercial's half, Stockton bunted and reached first on a wild throw. Ferguson fanned. Graham batted out a two-bagger into center field, scoring Stockton, and stole third before Moore threw another ball. Flannigan singled to right field, scoring Graham, and a wild throw gave Flannigan a chance to go down to third. Things looked brighter, but Morton was unable to make connections. Halderman batted out a fly to Parrott, whose effort was a good one, although unsuccessful. Flannigan scored on this fly, but Halderman was caught between bases, retiring the side. Score, 6-2.

In the fifth Moore went out on a hit to Stockton, and Parrott was hit by a pitched ball. Oliver hit to Tommy Ross, who doubled up the batter and Parrott. Trullinger fanned, Bert Ross was thrown out by Litt and Tommy Ross flew out to Jennings.

In the sixth Jennings fanned and Bert Ross made a fine running catch of Houston's long fly. Stott singled and Litt hit to Stockton, who threw high to Flannigan and let Stott score. Tommy Ross muffed Fenton's short

hit, but Stockton threw out Chamlers and retired the side. The Astorians gingered up again. Stockton's short drive did not get him anything, but Ferguson sent the ball into the grandstand. At the end of the fourth inning Macomber was replaced as umpire by a Multnomah man named Cook, who allowed Ferguson but two sacks on his hit. The ball was not blocked, but Cook seemed to think he had better rob Ferguson of a home run. Graham singled. Flannigan hit a short one to Moore, who succeeded in throwing Ferguson out. With two men on bases, Morton smashed out a two-bagger, scoring Graham and Flannigan, and continued the good work by stealing third. Halderman flew out to Oliver, however, and the prospect of victory went aglimmering. Score, 5-7.

The seventh—Moore was hit by a pitched ball, Parrott fanned and Morton handled Oliver's drive. Jennings hit to Stockton, who let it get away, Moore scoring. Houston flew out to Morton. Trullinger fanned and Moore threw out Bert Ross. Tommy Ross reached the first station on a hot hit to Fenton, but Stockton flew out to Jennings. Score, 8-6.

The eighth—Stott singled to left field, but died at second trying to stretch the hit into a two-bagger. Litt flew out to Trullinger and Fenton died on a hit to Flannigan. Ferguson flew out to center field, Harry Graham was hit and walked, but was caught off second when Flannigan's long fly to right was pulled down by Oliver.

The ninth—Chamlers singled to center, but was doubled up when Morton handled Moore's drive. Parrott was thrown out by Stockton. Morton singled, but was called out at second; Halderman fanned and Trullinger reached first on Jennings' error. Bert Ross, the last man up, batted a liner to right field, but was slow in starting and was thrown out.

The teams lined up as follows:
Multnomah—Litt, second base; Fenton, shortstop; Chamlers, left field; Moore, pitcher; Parrott, center field; Oliver, right field; Jennings, first base; Houston, third base; Stott, catcher.
Commercial—Stockton, shortstop; Ferguson, catcher; Graham, third base; Flannigan, first base; Morton, second base; Halderman, center field; Trullinger, right field; Bert Ross, left field; Tommy Ross, pitcher.

CONTEST FOR PRESIDING OFFICERS.

An Oregonian special from Salem says:

Though the next session of the legislature is yet six months away, considerable interest is developing in the contest for the presiding offices in the two houses. As there is no senator to elect, the question of organization has little importance, but to the aspirants and their friends an election is none the less desired. The honor and the political prestige that go with an election to the presidency of the senate of the speakership of the house is what makes the place worth seeking.

So far as the members of the legislature are concerned, their chief desire is to secure good presiding officers. Not a few of them are of the opinion that the way a presiding officer forms his standing committees is a strong indication of his ability, and some of them are trying to find out the views of the candidates on that subject. Several of the members consider themselves well fitted to serve as chairman of important committees.

Senators Brownell and Kuykendall seem to be the only senators who are making an active canvass for the presidency of the senate, though Mays of Multnomah, Carter of Jackson and Rand of Baker have been frequently mentioned as having an ambition to serve in the highest legislative office. Whether Multnomah county will have a candidate is of considerable consequence for the Multnomah voters, six in number, are quite likely to go to some one in a bunch. For the same reason the possible candidacy of Senator Rand has particular interest. If Rand should seek for the place he would very probably get the support of eastern Oregon members.

The friends of Senator Kuykendall do not take Senator Brownell's candidacy very seriously and profess to believe that he will drop out of the race long before the time for the legislative session comes around. At the session of 1903 Kuykendall upported Brownell for the presidency and it is generally understood in political circles that Brownell promised at that time to support Kuykendall for the same place in 1905. Kuykendall's friends say that Brownell's promise was unqualified, and they don't believe he will be a candidate.

Nevertheless, Brownell has asked several senators to support him, and claims to have the endorsement of Senator Mitchell. He complains, however, that Senator Fulton will not

IMPORTANT LAND BATTLE EXPECTED AT ANY HOUR

Japanese and Russian Outposts Have Come Together and a Decisive Conflict Is Imminent.

Liao Yang, June 25.—The armies of General Oku and Kuroki, aggregating at least six divisions, are confronted by the huge force under General Kuropatkin. The tension here is most acute at the approach of the most important battle of the war, in which three times the number of troops engaged at Kiulien Cheng, Kin Chau and Vafangow will take part. The proximity of the rainy season makes a battle unavoidable.

Excitement in the Capital.

St. Petersburg, June 25.—Today has been full of rumors and intense excitement, but this was relieved somewhat this evening by an issue of a special edition of the Official Messenger, containing some details of the fighting around Kalping, and of other movements.

Operations in the northeast indicate that General Kuropatkin is keeping his force on the extreme left flank and in the rear of the enemy and is capable of dealing with any threatening move General Kuroki may attempt in that direction. There is nothing in the official dispatches so far to indicate any startling development regarding the Japanese movement north toward Kalping, though the enemy is undoubtedly advancing slowly.

Japanese Traveling.

St. Petersburg, June 25.—According to reports received at the war office, the position of General Kuroki's men on the Sluzenkai Chou road is unchanged.

General Oku's army continues to advance from Senuchen, traveling six miles per day and marching in order of battle, evidently expecting a momentary attack from the Russians. Oku was about 10 miles from Kaichou yesterday.

The city is full of rumors that heavy fighting is in progress at Tatische Kiao. These rumors are said to emanate from the palace of Peterhof, but no confirmation is obtainable.

Movements of Troops.

St. Petersburg, June 25.—The general staff has received the following dis-

patch from General Sakharoff, under date of June 25:

"Since the morning of June 23 the army has continued to advance toward Kaichou. Three detachments of cavalry, each consisting of four or five squadrons, led, and were followed by dense lines of infantry, behind which are marching the columns of the line. The Japanese outposts toward evening extended along the Kho valley, about nine miles south of Senuchen, with cavalry posted in the rear.

Bandits Help Japanese. Mukden, June 25.—Last night 100 Chinese bandits, excellently armed and equipped and led by Japanese officers attempted to blow up the bridge over the Koulu river, 157 miles north-east of Mukden. The attack was repelled by border scouts.

Detailed Story of Fight.

Tokio, June 25.—(Noon.)—Admiral Togo reports that on Thursday last, June 3, his patrol-boat discovered the battleship Peresviet and seven other vessels accompanied by nine torpedo-boat destroyers near the entrance to Port Arthur harbor. They warned him wirelessly and he immediately advanced his entire fleet, except those engaged upon special duty. The admiral then discovered that the Russian fleet, which consisted of six battleships, five cruisers and 14 destroyers, evidently planned a dash by sundown. The Russians stopped outside the entrance to the harbor, and after nightfall a fleet of Japanese torpedo-boat destroyers resolutely attacked the Russian ships and succeeded in torpedoing and sinking a battleship of the Peresviet type and disabled the battleship Sevastopol. A cruiser of the Diana type was observed burning, towed into the harbor on Friday morning, and it was evident she had sustained serious damage. The Japanese ships sustained little damage. The torpedo-boat destroyer Shirakumo was hit by a shell, which fell in the cabin and three men were killed and three others wounded. The Chideri, a vessel of the same class, was hit behind the engine-room, but no casualties resulted therefrom. Torpedo-boats 64 and 66 were slightly damaged.

give him any assistance, but is wishing Kuykendall success.

Brownell has told some of his friends that his election to the presidency of the senate will be in the interest of the re-election of Mitchell in 1907, but Kuykendall's friends fail to see the connection between events so remote in time. It seems to be quite certain that Multnomah county will have a candidate for speaker of the house, but the members of that delegation have not determined who the candidate will be. A. A. Bailey, who was a member of the last legislature, and W. T. Mur and S. B. Linthicum are talked of as possible recipients of the votes of the Multnomah delegation. Several members from Multnomah have announced definitely that one of their number will be a candidate, and therefore that candidates from other counties cannot hope to get any support from there.

Representative Kay, of Marion, has been making an active canvass and has secured the promise of support from several members besides the united support of his own delegation. The valuable experience of legislative work in the regular and special sessions of 1903 is an advantage to both Kay and Bailey in their candidacy for the speakership. Representative Vawter of Jackson county has been talked of in connection with the speakership, but has told some of his friends that he is not a candidate at this time, though he did not say that he will be later.

THE SALMON MARKET.

Interest in Probable Demand From Russia and Japan.

New York Fishing Gazette: The open question as to whether or not the belligerents in the far east will draw on the ensuing salmon fishery for further supplies of pink fish is a very crucial issue on the Pacific coast at date. German buyers on the Pacific coast representing both refrigerating and curing interests have, it is known, recently penetrated to Siberian points

in order to investigate the possibility of obtaining supplies in that quarter. Admittedly there is going to be a short pack of red fish on the Pacific coast this season, and the extended trap permits will further exhaust the available supply. If the Siberian fisheries and those of northern Japan again become operative, buyers will not restrict their operations to the American fishery. The outlet for pink fish therefore is much to be desired, and the fisheries of the orient cannot supply this demand.

Spot Alaska Very Dull.

San Francisco Grocer: Spot Alaska very dull, the sale having been knocked by the prohibitory price made on red fish by the A. P. A. No price has yet been made in England for the last year's pack of the association, whose policy is said to be to reduce the business there to a strictly spot basis, and to check the sales of futures by outside canners in that market.

THE MARKETS.

Doings of the Day in Grain and Stocks.

Liverpool, June 25.—July wheat, 6s 3 7/8d.

New York, June 25.—Silver, 56 1/8c; Union Pacific, 88 1/2; preferred, 93.

Chicago, June 25.—July wheat opened 87@87 3/8c; closed, 87 1/4c; barley, 45@52c; flax, \$1.01; Northwestern, 107.

San Francisco, June 25.—Cash wheat, \$1.25.

Portland, June 25.—Wheat: Walla Walla, 69c; bluestem, 77c; valley, 78c. Cattle unchanged.

Tacoma, June 25.—Wheat: Bluestem, 80c; club, 78c.

Notice. All fraternal organizations, labor unions and firms intending to participate in the Fourth of July parade, please notify the grand marshal at once, so they may be given place in the parade. O. I. PETERSON, Grand Marshal.



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